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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR REPROCESSING IN ROC

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1. WE ARE SENDING BY SEPTTEL THE TEXT OF ASSISTANT
SECRETARY HUMMEL'S OPENING STATEMENT AT SEPTEMBER 22
SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE HEARING ON TAIWAN'S
NUCLEAR INTENTIONS. YOU SHOULD PASS TEXT TO MFA POLI-
TICAL DIRECTOR RUTTEN, DRAWING HIS ATTENTION TO PARA 12
WHICH RELATES A RECENT ROC WRITTEN ASSURANCE TO US THAT
"THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ROC HAS NO INTENTION WHATSOEVER TO
DEVELOP NUCLEAR WEAPONS OR A NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICE, OR
TO ENGAGE IN ANY ACTIVITIES RELATED TO REPROCESSING PUR-

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POSES." THIS ASSURANCE WAS IN RESPONSE TO A US APPROACH
WHICH CONFRONTED THE ROC WITH OUR AWARENESS OF ITS

EFFORTS TO ACQUIRE ASSISTANCE FOR A REPROCESSING FACILITY
FROM "EUROPE".

2. YOU MAY INFORM RUTTEN THAT WE BELIEVE ROC CONCERN
OVER ITS GENERAL IMAGE IN THE US AND OVER THE FUTURE OF
ITS PEACEFUL NUCLEAR COOPERATION WITH THE US WILL
PROBABLY RESULT IN TAIWAN'S LIVING UP TO THIS ASSURANCE
FOR SOME TIME TO COME AND SHOULD SPELL END TO ROC DEALINGS

WITH COMPRIMO. NEVERTHELESS, WE SHALL CONTINUE TO
MONITOR THE ROC'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM CAREFULLY. YOU SHOULD
EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR GON COOPERATION ON THIS MATTER.

3. FOR EMBASSY BRUSSELS: YOU MAY MAKE SIMILAR PRESENTA-
TION TO APPROPRIATE GOB OFFICIALS. ROBINSON

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